STYLE GUIDE FOR AUTHORS: International Conference on Fall Prevention and Protection

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Table 1. Page margins for 8.5 x 11 paper

	Margin	Distance from edge of page	
		inches	mm
Main text	top	1.3	33
	left and right	1.4	35
	bottom	1.7	43
Abstract	left and right	1.8	46

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Text element Size (point) Font

Paper Title 14 Times New Roman (Bold)
Main Heading 12 Times New Roman (Bold)
Secondary Heading 12 Times New Roman (Italic)
Main Text 11 Times New Roman

Table 2. Font sizes

Tables and illustrations

Tables

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